

Kingsfield Chronicle

Week ending: 25.09.20



Ready, Respectful, Safe

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week, we have been observing teaching and learning in class. It has been lovely to see the relationships that have been built up since the start of term. We also undertook the first of a series of training sessions with CPET teaching school.

Next week, we are going to be inviting letters of application for house and vice-house captains from students in Year 6. We are also organising a School Parliament made up of teams of children looking at different ministry departments such as health and PE, environment and reading for pleasure. This will replace our school council and hopefully allow more children to be involved in making decisions about key aspects of school life.

We have received a great number of communications from the DfE and Local Authority offering advice on the current spike of cases nationally. Within our school community, we have a number of staff and families who are extremely vulnerable so we took the decision to wear face masks in corridors (but not in classrooms). Wearing them on school grounds remains voluntary for parents but we would kindly ask that you do wear them if possible. There are so many aspects that we trying to balance that we will make decisions that not all of you agree with. Ultimately, we have to base it on what minimises transmission and keeps all school users as safe as possible.

Our attendance is currently around 92%. Ideally, we would be aiming for 96% but we have found that a rather nasty cold and a sickness bug have affected staff and children alike. Currently we have not had any positive cases of Covid despite a large number of tests being carried out. Should we get a positive case of staff member or child, we will let you know in general terms (not to identify child or staff member). We thank you again for your cooperation in these strange and somewhat confusing times.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Kate Coates



Stars of the Week

Today's stars are as follows and they were awarded their certificates in our virtual celebration assembly led by Mrs. Coates:

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| RE—Frankie P | RM—Jack C. |
| 1G – Ellie C. | 1P – Albert G. |
| 2Re – Evie W. | 2Ru – Poppy J. |
| 3M – Rhys B. | 3T – Emily K. |
| 4P – Kayla H. | 4C – Evie L. |
| 5T – Maria B. | 5DC – Jackson K. |
| 6C – Eshan M-M | 6L – Chase L. |

Charitable Donations

A HUGE thank you for all of the donations for Childhood Cancer charities. The donations today were incredibly generous and we will share with you the final figure next week.

Homework

Now we have allowed children a period of time to settle back into school, we will be resuming homework from Monday 28th September. The children will receive a grammar or spelling task, a reading task and a piece of maths work each week. This will all be set on Purple Mash. Homework will be set on a Monday, allowing the children a week to complete it before the following Monday.

We will ensure that children are provided with their Purple Mash log in details. However, if your child is unsure of their details, please do not hesitate to contact the class teacher.

Miss. Candish, Assistant Headteacher

Diary Dates

New dates will be added weekly so please do read this section each week.

September 2020

25th - Non-uniform day to raise awareness of childhood cancer

October 2020

5th - Harvest Festival

9th - School Parliament to organise an event to for Mental Health Awareness Day

20th - School Photographers

26th - 30th Half term

November 2020

9th - 13th - Parent Consultations (virtually)

21st - World Poetry Day

December 2020

18th - Last day of term

19th - 4th Jan. is Christmas holidays

January 2021

4th - Training day for staff

5th - Start of Spring Term for children

February 2021

15th - 19th Half term

26th - Year 3 Bikeability level 1 course

March 2021

25th - End of term

April 2021

12th - Training day

13th - Summer Term starts for children

May 2021

3rd - 9th - Book Week

June 2021

31st May - 4th June Half term

July 2021

22nd - Summer term ends

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School Census

Next Thursday is our census day. The number of children that take up school dinner on that day is reflected in our funding for the rest of the year. If you would like your child to have a school dinner on Thursday, it will be the following menu. Please note that Thursday and Friday's meal have been swapped.

Thursday's Lunch Menu

Red option is: fish fingers and chips
with either baked beans or peas

Green option is: Spanish omelette and
chips with either baked beans or peas

Blue option is: Cheese sandwich

Dessert is: Spanish cookie

Scooters

We have had a number of parents and community members comment negatively on the way scooters are being used to and from school. Please can we ask that scooters are used safely on the way to school and on the grounds. Despite asking, we still have a number of children who are riding scooters / bikes on the grounds. Please act safely and respect each other by dismounting at the entrances. Thank you.

Goodbye

Yesterday we said goodbye to Mrs. Harvey. She has worked incredibly hard for Kingsfield during her time here and we will miss her greatly. We wish her the best of luck in her new venture!

